

1-1 By: Huffines S.B. No. 848  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 13, 2017; February 27, 2017,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation;  
1-4 April 20, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
1-5 Nays 0; April 20, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Nichols	X		
1-9	Hall	X		
1-10	Creighton	X		
1-11	Garcia	X		
1-12	Hancock	X		
1-13	Hinojosa	X		
1-14	Kolkhorst	X		
1-15	Perry	X		
1-16	Rodríguez	X		

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to requirements for a driver education course provider or  
1-20 instructor.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 1001.112(a), Education Code, is amended  
1-23 to read as follows:

1-24 (a) The commission by rule shall provide for approval of a  
1-25 driver education course conducted by the parent, stepparent, foster  
1-26 parent, legal guardian, grandparent, or step-grandparent of a  
1-27 person who is required to complete a driver education course to  
1-28 obtain a Class C license. The rules must provide that the student  
1-29 driver spend a minimum number of hours in classroom and  
1-30 behind-the-wheel instruction and that the person conducting the  
1-31 course:

1-32 (1) possess a valid license for the preceding three  
1-33 years that has not been suspended, revoked, or forfeited in the past  
1-34 three years for an offense that involves the operation of a motor  
1-35 vehicle;

1-36 (2) has not been convicted of:

1-37 (A) criminally negligent homicide; or

1-38 (B) driving while intoxicated within seven years  
1-39 of the date on which the person requests approval to conduct a  
1-40 driver education course under this section; and

1-41 (3) ~~[is not disabled because of mental illness; and~~

1-42 ~~[(4)]~~ does not have six or more points assigned to the  
1-43 person's driver's license under Subchapter B, Chapter 708,  
1-44 Transportation Code, at the time the person begins conducting the  
1-45 course.

1-46 SECTION 2. Section 1001.209(a), Education Code, is amended  
1-47 to read as follows:

1-48 (a) Before a course provider may be issued a license, the  
1-49 course provider must provide a corporate surety bond in the amount  
1-50 of \$10,000 ~~[\$25,000]~~.

1-51 SECTION 3. Section 1001.304(a), Education Code, is amended  
1-52 to read as follows:

1-53 (a) An application to renew a driver education instructor or  
1-54 driving safety instructor license must include evidence of  
1-55 completion of continuing education ~~[and be postmarked at least 30~~  
1-56 ~~days before the expiration date of the license]~~.

1-57 SECTION 4. Section 521.205(a), Transportation Code, as  
1-58 amended by Chapter 567 (H.B. 2708), Acts of the 84th Legislature,  
1-59 Regular Session, 2015, is repealed to conform to the repeal of  
1-60 Section 521.205, Transportation Code, by Chapter 1044 (H.B. 1786),  
1-61 Acts of the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015.

2-1 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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